

## Philanthropy [ edit ]

*unclear Wiki wording (and no footnote): an exhibition takes place at a museum, it is not THE museum.*

Blavatnik, the Blavatnik Family Foundation and Access companies have supported many cultural and philanthropic institutions over the past 15 years, including serving as the primary benefactors for numerous major art and cultural exhibitions, including the British Museum, Tate Modern, Royal Opera House, National Portrait Gallery and Museum of Modern Art. Since 2007, the Blavatnik Family Foundation together with the New York Academy of Sciences has supported the [Blavatnik Awards for Young Scientists](#). The annual award recognizes the accomplishments of outstanding young scientists in life sciences, physical sciences and engineering and provides all finalists with a significant cash prize.<sup>[18]</sup>

Blavatnik sponsors a [Colel Chabad](#) 20,000-square-foot (1,900 m<sup>2</sup>) food bank and warehouse in [Kiryat Malakhi](#), Israel, which sends monthly food shipments to 5,000 poor families in 25 Israeli cities, and before Jewish holidays to 30,000 families in 73 Israeli cities, towns and villages.<sup>[19]</sup>

In 2010, it was announced that Blavatnik and the Blavatnik Family Foundation would donate £75 million to the [University of Oxford](#) to establish a new school of government.<sup>[20]</sup> The gift is one of the largest philanthropic gifts in the university's 900-year history. Blavatnik also indicated the possibility of increasing his benefaction up to £100 million over time. The [Blavatnik School of Government](#) began accepting students in September 2012, and the new permanent home of the school was constructed on the [Radcliffe Observatory Quarter](#). Architects of the buildings, which were finished in summer 2015, are the Swiss architects [Herzog & de Meuron](#). The first dean of the school is professor [Ngaire Woods](#). In 2013, [Harvard University](#) announced a \$50 million donation from Blavatnik's foundation to sponsor life sciences entrepreneurship at the university.<sup>[21]</sup>

## Wealth [ edit ]

*Image is from Leonard Blavatnik Wiki. Image filename: Leonard Blavatnik Wiki, Philanthropy (and measuring his wealth per Forbes) section -post context, it relates to ISD founder's background post - Screen Shot 2017-05-17 at 4.02PM.png*

In the *Sunday Times Rich List 2015*, Blavatnik was listed as the UK's richest person,<sup>[22]</sup> with a fortune of £16.9 billion. *Forbes* ranks Blavatnik as the 16th richest in the world of as of April 2015.